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## Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Leavitt

DATE: 5/27/76

FROM : S. F. Phillips *B*SUBJECT: SENSTUDY 75

- 1 - Mr. Gallagher
- 1 - Mr. Cooke
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(Mr. Daly)
- 1 - Mr. Burton
- 1 - Mr. Leavitt
- 1 - Mr. Phillips

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**PURPOSE:** To advise of review, excision and return of certain documents to Department of Justice (DOJ) for delivery to Senate Select Committee (SSC).

**SYNOPSIS:** Eight documents requested of DOJ by SSC furnished to FBIHQ for review. Documents cleared for informant and third agency material and returned to DOJ.

**RECOMMENDATION:** For information.

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**DETAILS:** As a result of SSC request for certain documents, Steven Blackhurst, Assistant Special Counsel for Intelligence Coordination, DOJ, furnished eight documents to Bureau Supervisor, S. F. Phillips, for excision of informant or third agency information where appropriate. Six of the documents were returned by Mr. Phillips to Mr. Blackhurst on 5/14/76 with no excisions. It should be noted that among the six documents returned to Mr. Blackhurst on 5/14/76 was an FBI letterhead memorandum, 3/21/67 captioned, "Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, November 22, 1963, Dallas, Texas." [Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)] clearance regarding this document had been previously received when the Bureau furnished this document to the SSC from Bureau files.

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to review the documents referred to above and to advise the Director of the FBI of the results of his review. (S) (S)

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*Memorandum*

TO : J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General,  
Internal Security Division

DATE: June 2, 1967

FROM : Garvin L. Oliver

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SUBJECT: The Garrison Investigation of the  
Assassination of President Kennedy --  
Alleged CIA Connections with Garrison's  
Suspects

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New Orleans District Attorney James C. Garrison has made numerous charges that several of his suspects in his investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy have had connections with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). There follows some of his specific allegations which we have learned about either from Garrison's public statements or from FBI sources and the known comments of the CIA with respect thereto.

1. Garrison claims that Lee Harvey Oswald did not kill President Kennedy but that the President was assassinated by five anti-Castro Cubans who were angered over his handling of the Bay of Pigs invasion. Garrison claims that the assassins were former CIA employees committed to an adventure in Cuba. Garrison has said that he does not believe the CIA planned the Kennedy murder, or knew of it beforehand, but that the CIA is making every effort to prevent his office from trailing or learning the whereabouts of the assassins as it is concerned about its own power. (Washington Post 5/22,24/67, Evening Star 5/22,26/67)

The CIA was quoted in the newspapers as stating that the organization would have no comment on Garrison's remarks. (Evening Star, 5/22/67) JAN 12 1971

2. Garrison has reportedly said that he has letters signed by CIA representatives or by Senator Robert F. Kennedy which authorize certain Americans to work with Cubans for the assassination of Castro. (FBI Memo 5/17/67)

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CIA advised the Bureau in May 1967 that such letters never existed and therefore could not be in the possession of Garrison. (FBI Memo 5/17/67)

3. Garrison reportedly believes that there was an anti-Castro training camp on the shores of Lake Ponchartrain near New Orleans which was operated by the CIA to train assassins to send to Cuba and that Oswald was once at the camp. This camp was reportedly run by an individual known as Richard Davis. (FBI Memos 4/6/67, 5/15/67)

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To our knowledge, no information has been received from CIA concerning the alleged training camp or Richard Davis. An FBI memorandum of March 3, 1967, reported that the Bureau files contain no information indicating that Oswald had any connection with Davis. Davis has been described as a promoter and a hustler, who will do anything for money, and is often carried away with his own thinking. (149-4801)

4. Garrison claims that Oswald was probably a CIA agent who worked undercover with anti-Castro Cubans with the knowledge of Federal agents. Garrison claims that Oswald was recruited by CIA for an operation, approved by President Kennedy, the purpose of which was to assassinate Fidel Castro, and when Oswald assassinated President Kennedy it became necessary to show him as a Communist in order to conceal the original plan. (UPI 5/8,9/67, New York Times 5/10/67)

The Directors of the CIA and FBI testified before the Warren Commission that Oswald was never in the employ of their agency in any capacity.

5. Garrison has charged that the CIA gave the Warren Commission a fake photograph instead of providing a picture of Lee Harvey Oswald and a Cuban companion leaving the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City in 1963, because Oswald and/or his Cuban companion were CIA agents.

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CIA has furnished the Criminal Division of the Department with an affidavit that they do not have, and have never had, a photograph of Oswald in Mexico City.

6. Garrison has charged Gordon Novel and Sergio Arcacha Smith with the burglary of the Schumberger Well Service Company's munitions bunker in Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, in 1961. Garrison evidently believes that some of the individuals involved in this robbery (Novel, David Ferrie, Smith, and several Cubans) were also involved in the assassination and that a panel truck used in the robbery was used in the assassination. Gordon Novel reportedly contends that he was employed by CIA, was acting for CIA, and that the burglary of the munitions bunker was not an actual burglary. Novel reportedly contends that CIA had an arrangement with Schumberger to keep ammunition, bomb casings, and other material in the ammunition bunker; that Schumberger became upset over the Bay of Pigs invasion and wanted to get out of their contract with CIA; and that arrangements were then made for the bomb casings and other materials stored in the bunker to be taken out by Novel and his group. Novel has indicated that he and Sergio Arcacha Smith are still employed by CIA. Novel has stated that in the event he is returned to New Orleans to face charges of burglary, this will be his defense. (FBI Memo 4/24/67) Novel also claims that he once operated the Evergreen Advertising Agency as a front for CIA communications and that funds were channelled to him by CIA. (FBI Memo 4/27/67) Gordon Novel's attorney also stated on May 25, 1967, that Novel worked for the CIA in early 1961, serving as an intermediary between the CIA and anti-Castro Cubans in New Orleans and Miami before the April 1961 Bay of Pigs invasion. The attorney, Steve Plotkins, maintained, though, that Novel had "little or nothing to do with the Bay of Pigs invasion and certainly had absolutely nothing to do with the assassination of President Kennedy." (Washington Post 5/26/67)

CIA has advised the Bureau that Novel's claims are completely false and that Novel has never been of operational interest. CIA also advised that the Agency has never utilized bunkers belonging to the Schumberger Well Service Company for storage of munitions and that the Evergreen Advertising Agency has had no connection whatsoever with CIA operations. (FBI Memo 4/27/67)

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7. On May 22, 1967, Garrison had hand delivered to the Special Agent in Charge of the New Orleans FBI office copies of a letter addressed to a "Mr. Weiss" allegedly written by Gordon Novel referring to the Double-Chek Corporation. The Bureau noted that Garrison apparently is attempting to connect the Double-Chek Corporation with the assassination of President Kennedy. (FBI Memo 5/29/67)

On May 25, 1967, an official of the CIA informed the Bureau that the Double-Chek Corporation is a cover corporation which was used in the past by the CIA for the purpose of recruiting pilots for operations directed against the Fidel Castro government. The firm was also utilized as a front for the payment of funds to the widows of four American pilots who died in April 1961 during the Bay of Pigs operation. CIA reiterated that no individual bearing the name of Gordon Novel has had any connection with the CIA or with the Double-Chek Corporation. The Bureau advised that a check of its files disclosed no information identifiable with "Mr. Weiss." (FBI Memo 5/29/67)

8. Concerning Sergio Arcacha Smith also charged by Garrison with burglary of the munitions bunker in 1961, it is noted that in 1961 CIA identified Smith to the Department as a bona fide representative in New Orleans of the Frente Revolucionario Democrático (FRD), a Cuban anti-Castro exile organization which served as a central point for enlisting support for anti-Castro activity until the abortive revolutionary attempt in April 1961. Smith was known to be engaged in such recruiting activity. (71-4-137)

CIA acknowledged to the Bureau in May 1967 that it gave the FRD financial support, but maintained that despite its relationship with the FRD, it had no direct relationship with Sergio Arcacha Smith. (FBI Memo 5/10/67)

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9. Garrison is reported to believe that Clay Shaw, who has been charged by Garrison with conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy, was a CIA agent involved in an anti-Castro plot which either backfired or was redirected against President Kennedy.

CIA advised the Bureau in April 1967 that on May 9, 1961, Deputy Director Cabell, CIA, was introduced before his speech to the Foreign Policy Association in New Orleans by Clay Shaw, who was the program director, and that from December 1948 through May 1956, CIA's Domestic Contact Service did have some relationship with Shaw, as it was interested in Shaw's international contacts. CIA claims that the last contact with Shaw in this regard was in May 1956. (FBI Memo 4/27/67)

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